

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MAINE**

MOSES ALI SEBUNYA,)
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Plaintiff,)
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v.) Docket no. 2:12-cv-00067-GZS
ERIC H. HOLDER, JR., ATTORNEY)
GENERAL, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF)
JUSTICE,)
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Defendant.)
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ORDER & REPORT OF CONFERENCE

In accordance with the Court's prior Order (ECF No. 84), the Court held a conference of counsel on January 31, 2014. Attorney David Webbert appeared for Plaintiff. Attorney John Osborn appeared for Defendant. Following the conference, the Court hereby ORDERS that the following procedure be followed in connection with the discussed motion practice:

On or before March 7, 2014, the parties shall file a joint stipulated record using the "Stipulated Record" event in CM/ECF. The first page of the Stipulated Record shall consist of a list describing each exhibit submitted. Each exhibit shall then be clearly labeled and separately attached to this list. The Stipulated Record may include any exhibits and depositions (including any exhibits to the depositions) that all sides agree will be referenced in the statements of material fact. With respect to depositions, counsel shall endeavor to ensure that any deposition excerpt is complete and includes all relevant pages. In the absence of an agreement on what constitutes a complete deposition excerpt, counsel shall include the complete deposition in the joint record. The inclusion of any exhibit in the Stipulated Record does not prevent any party

from later objecting to the admissibility of the document. Likewise, the submission of a joint record does not prevent either side from submitting additional documents with their respective statements of material fact.

The Court encourages the parties to file stipulations of fact that could serve to further streamline the parties' statements of material fact. The Court reminds the parties that they are free to indicate that any such stipulations are admissions solely for purposes of the to-be-filed summary judgment motions. See D. Me. Local Rule 56(g). Any stipulations will be considered by the Court in ruling on the motion and need not be reiterated or referenced in the statements of material fact. The parties are free to submit any stipulations on or before **March 7, 2014**.

On or before **March 21, 2014**, Plaintiff and Defendant shall file their motions for summary judgment. Each motion shall not exceed twenty-five (25) pages. See Local Rule 7(e).

On or before **April 11, 2014**, the parties shall file their responses to the motions for summary judgment, which shall not exceed twenty (20) pages. See id.

On or before **April 25, 2014**, the parties shall file their replies, which shall not exceed seven (7) pages. See id.

The Court also expects the parties' summary judgment filings will comply with all aspects of Local Rule 56. Defendant has indicated his statement of material fact will be under 100 paragraphs and Plaintiff has indicated his statement of material fact will not exceed one-hundred twenty (120) paragraphs. Should either party need to file more than one hundred twenty (120) statements of material fact, that party shall request leave of the Court to do so. The parties are reminded that Local Rule 56(f) requires specific record citations for all facts submitted in a statement of material facts. Absent a specific citation, the Court has no duty to consider any part of the record submitted. To the extent any party will rely on a page of the joint record for a

specific citation, the Court encourages the parties to use the “PageID #” generated by CM/ECF, particularly if the alternative pin citation may not be readily apparent to the Court.

It appears that the only deadline that may remain after the contemplated motions for summary judgment are ruled on is the ready for trial deadline. This deadline shall remain stayed until the Court issues its ruling on the motions for summary judgment. To the extent that any issues remain for trial at that time, the Court anticipates that this case would be placed on the next available trial list following the Court’s summary judgment decisions.

SO ORDERED.

/s/ George Z. Singal
United States District Judge

Dated this 31st day of January, 2014.